[*Translation*]

Quota for Basti Station

3470. SHRI RAMPAL SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the reply given to the unstarred Question No. 4164 on December 17, 1991 and state:

(a) the period of consideration of utilization of quota; and

(b) whether there is a proposal to increase the above quota keeping in view the present position?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The period of consideration of utilisation of quota was from September, 1990 to February, 1991.

(b) The utilisation of quotas are reviewed periodically and adjustments made wherever found justified and feasible. At present there is no proposal to increase the same at Basti.

[*English*]

Book Stalls at Station on Northern Railway

3471. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the bookstall facility is available at Alwar station on Western Railway and Phaphund station on Northern Railway; and

(b) if so, the number of such stalls on these stations separately and the terms of the agreements reached with the contractors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One book stall each at Alwar and Phaphund is available. The terms of agreements are the same as in case of similar book stalls on Railway.

Rail Traffic Between Lucknow and Delhi

3472. SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct additional railway line and to start more trains on Delhi-Lucknow route in view of heavy density of traffic on this route; and

(b) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Assistance to Tribals

3473. KUMARI PUSHPA DEVI SINGH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the wild life Act. 1991 has a very adverse impact on the economy of tribals who are living in the forests; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to provide necessary assistance to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b). Wildlife habitats in the country have depleted seriously over the years due to diversion of forests and over exploitation of forest produce for meeting the demands of undergrowing human population. In view of these facts a provision has been made in the Wild